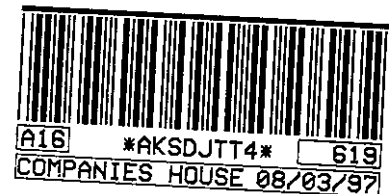


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**ESPRIT HOLIDAYS LIMITED**  
**ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED**  
**30 APRIL 1996**



**T J PINTON AND COMPANY**  
**Chartered Accountants**

**AUDITORS' REPORT  
TO THE DIRECTORS OF  
ESPRIT HOLIDAYS LIMITED  
PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH 8 OF SCHEDULE 8 OF THE COMPANIES  
ACT 1985**

We have examined the annexed abbreviated accounts together with the full financial statements of Esprit Holidays Limited for the year ended 30 April 1996. The scope of our work for the purpose of this report was limited to confirming that the company is entitled to the exemptions claimed in the director's statement on the Balance Sheet attached and that the abbreviated accounts have been prepared from the full financial statements.

In our opinion the company is entitled under Sections 246 and 247 of the Companies Act 1985 to the exemptions conferred by Section A of Part III of Schedule 8 to that Act in respect of the year ended 30 April 1996 and the annexed abbreviated accounts have been properly prepared in accordance with that Schedule.

On 21 June 1996 we reported as auditors of Esprit Holidays Limited to the members on the full financial statements prepared under Section 226 of the Companies Act 1985 for the year ended 30 April 1996 and our audit report was as follows:

"We have audited the financial statements on pages 4 to 8 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention (as modified by the revaluation of certain fixed assets) and the accounting policies set out on page 6.

**Respective responsibilities of director and auditor**

The company's director is responsible for the preparation of financial statements as discussed in the Director's Report. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our opinion to you.

**Basis of opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the


preparation of financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material mis-statement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

### **Opinion**

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs at 30 April 1996 and of its profit for the period then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies ACT 1985."

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21 June 1996

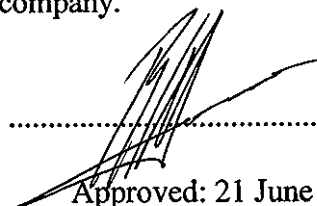
# ESPRIT HOLIDAYS LIMITED

## BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 APRIL 1996

|                                                                | 1996          |                | 1995          |                |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|
|                                                                | £             | £              | £             | £              |
| <b>Fixed Assets</b>                                            |               |                |               |                |
| Tangible assets                                                |               | 241289         |               | 208171         |
| <b>Current Assets</b>                                          |               |                |               |                |
| Debtors                                                        | 131083        |                | 92716         |                |
| Cash at bank and in hand                                       | <u>137238</u> |                | <u>161415</u> |                |
|                                                                | 268321        |                | 254131        |                |
| <b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>          | <u>170305</u> |                | <u>157661</u> |                |
| <b>Net current assets</b>                                      |               | 98016          |               | 96470          |
|                                                                |               | <u>339305</u>  |               | <u>304641</u>  |
| <b>Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year</b> |               | <u>143850</u>  |               | <u>139633</u>  |
| <b>Total net assets</b>                                        |               | <u>£195455</u> |               | <u>£165008</u> |
| <b>Representing:</b>                                           |               |                |               |                |
| <b>Capital and reserves</b>                                    |               |                |               |                |
| Called up share capital                                        |               | 30000          |               | 20000          |
| Profit and loss account                                        |               | <u>165455</u>  |               | <u>145008</u>  |
|                                                                |               | <u>£195455</u> |               | <u>£165008</u> |

Advantage has been taken of exemptions conferred by Part III of Schedule 8 of Companies Act 1985 as amended by Companies Act 1989.

The director considers that the company is entitled to those exemptions on the grounds that it is a small company.

  
 ..... Director  
 Approved: 21 June 1996

The notes attached form part of these accounts

**ESPRIT HOLIDAYS LIMITED**  
**NOTES TO THE ABBREVIATED ACCOUNTS**  
**AS AT 30 APRIL 1996**

**ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Turnover**

Turnover is based on holidays undertaken during the period: it includes client insurance commission. Turnover and profit before tax is attributable to the one principal activity of the company.

**Fixed assets**

Depreciation is provided as follows:

|                                |                                   |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Motor Vehicles                 | - 25% p.a. reducing balance basis |
| Furniture, fixtures & fittings | - 15% p.a. reducing balance basis |

**Foreign currencies**

Assets and liabilities in foreign currency are translated at the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currency are recorded at the rate ruling at the date of the transaction.

**Stock**

Stock is valued at the lower of cost or net realisable value.

**Share Capital**

The authorised share capital is 50,000 ordinary shares of £1 each (1995 - 20,000). The issued share capital was increased by the issue of 10000 shares on 30 April 1996 by capitalisation of reserves to meet the requirements of the Association of British Travel Agents.

**Bank Loan**

This covers the purchase of the UK office freehold as follows:

|                                        | 1996           | 1995           |
|----------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
|                                        | £              | £              |
| Amount repayable within one year       | 4660           | 3120           |
| Amount repayable in more than one year | <u>126818</u>  | <u>132078</u>  |
| Total amount due                       | <u>£131478</u> | <u>£135198</u> |

The loan is secured on the company's freehold property and the advance was made by Barclays Bank Plc for a 20 year period at a rate of 2.5% over Barclays Bank Base Rate subject to a minimum of 9.5% per annum.